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From: JANUSCZ ADAMCZYK

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2023 1:18:40 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: adamczyk, brian

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation:

Comment: Please complete the Environmental Impact Study.

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From: Scott J. Archambault

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 10:43 PM

To:

Cc: Michael E. Tuzzo ; Micaela Shauku Matthieu

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Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Archambault, Scott

Address Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation: Resident, Architect at Architectural Resources

Comment: I am in favor of the project. Consider studying additional intermittent ventilation dispersed above residences (3+ stories) and its impact on pollution concentration at the ends of the tunnel. Dispersing pollution in the concentrations indicated will result in public backlash and opposition during and after construction- avoiding or mitigating these plumes should be the top priority of the project moving forward.

Scott J. Archambault, RA

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October 26, 2023

Matthew Michael Seymour U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration – HPD-NY Leo W. O'Brien Federal Building 11A Clinton Avenue, Suite 719 Albany, NY 12207

RE: PIN 5512.52 – Draft Design Report / Environmental Assessment NYS Route 33 Kensington Expressway Project; NYS Route 33 from Best Street to Sidney Street City of Buffalo, Erie County

Dear Mr. Seymour,

In accordance with our responsibilities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act (CAA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the Draft Design Report/ Environmental Assessment (EA) prepared by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT). The CAA Section 309 role is unique to EPA, providing EPA the authority to review and comment in writing on the environmental impact of any major federal agency action and to make EPA's written comments available to the public.

The EA has been developed to address potential environmental impacts from the proposed action. The purpose and need of the proposed action is to reconnect the community surrounding the below-grade section of the Kensington Expressway (NYS Route 33) and improve the corridor to adequately address multi-modal transportation needs within the City of Buffalo. The preferred alternative selected is to transform this depressed section of NYS Route 33 into a tunnel and recreate accessible greenspace on its grade-level surface.

EPA understands that the EA discusses potential environmental impacts of this proposed action in comparison to the no action alternative. As a result of our review, we are providing detailed comments below for FHWA and NYS DOT to consider prior to the release of the Draft EA.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this Draft EA. EPA looks forward to the receipt and review of the Draft EA, and we are committed to continuing to work with your team throughout the NEPA process. Should you have questions on our comments noted below or related to this project, please contact Arielle Benjamin at 212-637-3650 or Benjamin.Arielle@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Mark Austin, Team Lead Environmental Review Team

Mark Austin

Technical Comments:

• General Comments

 EPA acknowledges the inclusion of an Executive Summary, including a table summary of effects and mitigation of those adverse effects. This is a NEPA best practice that helps the public understand potential impacts and identifies commitments by the Lead Agency and Project Sponsors in addressing adverse impacts adequately.

Air Quality

EPA concurs that the proposed action follows the required transportation conformity
requirements for an area that is in attainment for all National Ambient Air Quality Standards
(NAAQS) and the micro and mesoscale emissions analyses follow the standard guidance, though
they are not required per transportation conformity.

• Environmental Justice (EJ)

- The EA cites Executive Order 12898: Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations (59 FR 7629; February 16, 1994) as its basis for the EJ analysis regarding the proposed action. While appreciated, Executive Order 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All (April 21, 2023) was signed to provide updated language regarding EJ and to further value the role of EJ in NEPA documents, including EAs.
 - Recommendation: While EPA understands the footnote regarding the clarification provided by the Office of the President, EPA continues to recommend that EO 14096 be incorporated into the EJ analysis for the Final EA. While EO 12898 is a longstanding agency practice, much of what EPA has developed in recent years would require that the Lead Agency heed to the direction given by EO 14096 for federal agencies to consider "…best available science and information on any disparate health effects (including risks) arising from exposure to pollution and other environmental hazards…" Therefore, EPA continues to emphasize the importance of clarifying details particularly as it relates to the population within the study area as clearly as possible.
- o EPA appreciates the visual aids associated with identifying impacts to EJ block groups that will see potential effects from the construction and built environment of the proposed action.
 - EPA acknowledges the inclusion of analyzing individual block groups within the project area in addition to an area wide assessment. This can help identify individual areas within the overall project area that may warrant further consideration, analysis, outreach, and/or mitigation strategies. These best practices should be continued as a NEPA best practice.
- It is noted that potential increases in property taxes could be a concern for low-income homeowners and renters but such increases could be offset by project benefits (p. 203-204).
 These benefits include construction spending that would increase employment and earnings in the construction industry.
 - Recommendation: EPA recommends the Lead Agency and Project Sponsors consider implementing a Community Benefits Agreement (CBA). A CBA can be designed to assist small businesses and job seekers in finding or obtaining construction contracts, jobs, and training opportunities for residents who live in economically disadvantaged areas. Additionally, NYSDOT can require via the CBA, that contractor(s) must hire 25-50% of workers from the community affected by the project. This will result in actual benefits to the communities near the construction site. Similar commitments were made by the Federal Agency and Project Sponsors in the I-81 Viaduct Project during the Design and Environmental Review process.

• Cumulative Impacts

 EPA acknowledges the inclusion of foreseeable future and potential cumulative impacts that may be experienced within the study area due to other proposed or ongoing projects in the City of Buffalo and surrounding areas.

• Public Participation

- EPA commends the Lead Agency and Project Sponsors on its extensive efforts regarding public participation throughout the development of the Draft EA. EPA has participated in the monthly stakeholder meetings both virtually and in-person and found the sessions to be quite valuable towards effective meaningful engagement, particularly regarding transportation projects, but also in NEPA overall.
 - Recommendation: EPA recommends FHWA include this project as a Best Management Practice (BMP) for future NEPA scoping and public engagement. In addition, EPA is currently working on Transportation Technical Guidance and would like to also cite this project as a BMP for future transportation work as well as Environmental Justice guidance through a recommendation to future updates on the guidance document: Promising Practices in NEPA Reviews.
- O There does not appear to be a mention of the community engagement work being led by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC) Region 9 in the study area, nor EPA's efforts with respect to disaster recovery and resiliency alongside New York State Department of State and their Brownfields program and the East Buffalo Collaborative. We regret that these connections are not yet disclosed for public awareness and understanding of other avenues for engagement beyond the Kensington Expressway Project.
 - Recommendation: EPA recommends that these ongoing initiatives be mentioned, especially considering that many internal meetings were held throughout scoping to support interconnectivity between the proposed action on Kensington Expressway and how the reconnection of the neighborhood will lead to necessary improvements on other elements of local infrastructure. Especially as it relates to the environment and public health of the community most impacted by the proposed action. EPA encourages the Project Sponsors and Lead Agency to consider continuing its participation with these other initiatives throughout the completion of The Project.
 - Recommendation: EPA recommends NYS DOT continue to host regular community engagement meetings throughout construction in addition to maintaining the community liaison office for ongoing updates through completion. These meetings should be open to stakeholders and local community members at-large. These meetings can be hosted in conjunction with the East Buffalo Collaborative and/or the NYS DEC monthly community engagement sessions.
- The EA states that the community outreach office is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 9:30am to 6:30pm and from 10am to 2pm on Saturday, with occasional modifications for staff to conduct direct community outreach.
 - Recommendation: EPA recommends that NYSDOT considers having later evening
 hours on some days or varying hours to accommodate different work schedules,
 particularly those who work during the day, through completion of the project.

From: Robin Bacon

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2023 6:13:29 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Bacon, Robin

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation: Resident

Comment: Hello, I would like to offer input regarding the Kensington Expressway Project. I feel that it should be put on hold until more studies can be conducted to ensure that what is done is the best possible solution for restoration of the affected area(s). Why rush? It's been this way for a long time and getting it right is far better than getting it wrong for purposes of expediency. Thank you. Robin Bacon

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From: Kimberly A Bernosky-Smith

Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2023 7:57:56 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Bernosky, Kim

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: I urge the project be subject to full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) review. Please consider all options, including full removal and impact on surrounding areas, structures, and the 190 in the full EIS review.

Best,

Dr. Kimberly Bernosky

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From: Molly Bethel

Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2023 5:29:23 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Bethel, Molly

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation: Homeowner

Comment: Very concerned about extent of blasting= negative effect on nearby homes. Also, lack of safety for people needing to cross Best Street. NO GUARANTEE CARS WILL STOP

FOR PEDESTRIANS. MUST COORDINATE WITH BUS STOPS A.

And stop lights. ND

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From: Shyana Broughton

Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2023 5:28:20 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Broughton, Shyana

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES Affiliation: Our Mommie Village

Comment: I am interested in how I can contribute. I have children, I am very involved in

community and I want to see healthy thriving families

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From: Ellen Chapman

Sent: Saturday, November 4, 2023 10:14:51 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Chapman, Ellen

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation: City Resident

Comment: The Kensington Parkway deserves to be restored to a environmentally conscious space for the neighborhood. Don't throw away the opportunity to do the right thing the first time. Build a parkway for the community.

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Phone Number:E-mail:
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avoilable?
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From: Chuck Colston

Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2023 7:59:41 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Colston, Charles

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES Affiliation: Humboldt Homeowner

Comment: When the digging occurs for the expansion of sidewalks and bike lanes the old underground lines from street to the house should be replaced (especially for homes in the direct construction area).

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-----Original Message-----From: Tiana Daniels

Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2023 10:00 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Daniels, Tiana

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: Make East Buffalo beautiful again

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From: alethea davis

Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 2:38 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Davis , Alethea

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation: Love Alive Fellowship Full Gospel Fellowship Church

Comment: Unfortunately, I have not given greater diligence to this comeuppance '. However, I dare day that I become greatly concerned when major projects fall into place, of you will, on the heels of gentrification. Somehow, gentrification doesn't work out so favorably in many Urban communities. All the same, I dare say that I am cautiously optimistic about this machination to some.degree. I pray that however this pans out, it will be expressly for "The.Htrayer.Hood" and not just the, "do goodness" as it were. Shalom

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YOUR FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT!

Please use this form to submit comments. For more information about the project and ways to get involved, please visit our website:

kensingtonexpressway.dot.ny.gov

One morething; I'm told there's no consideration of light rail because the NFTA has not asked for it. Why not?

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NYS ROUTE 33, KENSINGTON EXPRESSWAY PROJECT TEAM
NYSDOT Region 5
100 Seneca Street
Buffalo, New York 14203

From: Harry DeLano

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:18 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: DeLano, Harry

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation: Citizen

Comment: Having grown up in Buffalo's East Side, I was often able to enjoy being on Humboldt Parkway before it was destroyed. To me #replaced it way the civilized thing to do with the expressway that replaced it would be to turn it into a parkway again with walking paths, bike lanes and light rail.

I've been fortunate enough to spend time in Europe and the differences between there and here in the US regarding how people get around is shocking. There, you can easily get by without needing to drive. Here, not so much. An inspiring example is the city of Paris, once a car-choked nightmare that is being transformed into a pedestrian and bicycle friendly nice place to live.

This has been done by political leadership that actually cares about the quality of life in their community.

One more thing. I'm told there's no consideration of light rail because the NFTA has not asked for it. Why not?

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----Original Message-----From: Jonathan Fuzak

Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 10:05 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Fuzak, Jonathan

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation: Local 210

Comment: We need our neighbors and neighborhoods connected the way they were designed to be

Jonathan Fuzak

Organizer/Business Development

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From: <u>Erik Garcia</u>

To:

Subject: Construct the Kensington Expressway Project **Date:** Thursday, October 26, 2023 9:59:22 PM

Dear Kensington Expressway Project Team,

Kensington Expressway Project Team,

The construction of the Kensington Expressway Project is vital to the work of Union Carpenters in Western New York. The economic benefits stemming from this work will be felt across the entire region, putting hundreds of local construction workers to work for three to four years.

Once the project is completed, the positive economic impact will compound well beyond the construction duration, giving a resurgence to the communities of East Buffalo. This project will reunite the Humboldt Parkway, bringing in new green space, and reconnecting a divided neighborhood.

Myself, and my brothers and sisters of the Carpenters Union are ready to be a piece of this transformational project.

Sincerely, Erik Garcia -----Original Message-----From: Saroya Garcia-Ladiana

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 8:25 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Garcia-Ladiana, Saroya

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: The New York Climate Legislation

New York State's Climate Act requires New York to reduce economy-wide greenhouse gas emissions 40 percent by 2030 and no less than 85 percent by 2050 from 1990 levels. This tunnel plan goes completely against this law. No surveying has been done.

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From: Jared Good <

Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2023 6:28:10 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Good, Jared

Address: , , Phone: Email:

Include YES

Affiliation:

Comment: Is there not any possibility where a greater range of Kensington could be capped? I mean, it seems like a bit of a waste to not even cap more than a mile of the road. Does \$1B really not lead to a greater amount of expressway being capped? How did we get to that figure and have so little to show for it.

And then along with that, there remains the issue with fumes being released from the structures being constructed on the cap. Is there really no other way to effectively solve this problem so that the community isn't still subject to continuous vehicle fumes?

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-----Original Message-----From: Svein Hagen

Sent: Friday, October 27, 2023 8:19 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Hagen, Nicole

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: It's important that this projects include bike paths and walking trails. And parking should have level 1 chargers

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From: <u>Fahey, Chris</u>

To: dot.sm.kensingtonexpressway
Subject: Comment from Rep. Higgins

Date: Friday, November 10, 2023 2:28:35 PM

Attachments: rep higgins 33 comment.pdf

Dear NYSDOT official:

Attached please find a comment from Rep. Higgins regarding the Kensington project as part of the public comment period now underway. Thank you.

Chris Fahey Chief of Staff

Office of Rep. Brian Higgins

BRIAN HIGGINS 26TH DISTRICT, NEW YORK

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Marie Therese Dominguez, Esq. Commissioner New York State Department of Transportation 50 Wolf Road Colonie, NY 12205

Re: Support for Kensington Expressway Project

Dear Commissioner Dominguez:

In the context of the ongoing environmental review for the Kensington Expressway Project, the New York State Department of Transportation has solicited comments from stakeholders and the public broadly. I write today to convey my own input in that process.

The current design is largely based on a concept that grew out of the organizing of dedicated members of the local community, the Restore Our Community Coalition. For at least a decade, they have made clear to me and to other governmental leaders what their vision is for their own community. I am pleased to support their vision for their community, and pleased to support the project generally as articulated in the September 12 Draft Design Report.

I respect the views of many others, of course, who would prefer the elimination of this section of expressway altogether and the more complete restoration of the Olmsted design. Were it achievable, this would likely be the consensus option. But I have learned at length and with great difficulty the hard truth that NEPA and SEQRA and their related body of public policy are, in significant ways, deeply flawed. Because of these deficiencies, the complete elimination of this section of the Kensington Expressway would not survive an environmental review under any circumstances.

As the model of the Rose Kennedy Greenway in Boston shows us, new urban greenspace on top of a capped highway *can* be of very high quality and *can* serve to reverse the blighting effects of highways and to increase property values and the life quality of a community. It is important, however, that NYSDOT pay close attention to the details of how this greenspace is built out and not cut corners with regard to the landscaping and streetscape finishes of the final product.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Brian Higgins

Member of Congress

From: <u>billgh3</u>

To: <u>dot.sm.kensingtonexpressway</u>

Subject: Concerns Regarding Community Input on the Buffalo "Tunnel" Project

Date: Friday, November 10, 2023 11:49:13 AM

I am writing to express my concerns about the Buffalo "Tunnel" project proposed by the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), particularly regarding the apparent lack of substantial community input and the potential environmental impacts of the project.

The proposed capping of a 4,100-foot section of Route 33, also known as Humboldt Parkway, at a cost of \$1 billion, with 80% funded by federal funds, is a matter of significant public interest. While the proposal includes the creation of new greenspace above the tunnel, there are pressing concerns regarding the health impact of fumes emitted from the tunnel, as no comprehensive Environmental Impact Study has been conducted.

Furthermore, the project appears to have been fast-tracked with limited public meetings and insufficient time for the community to understand its implications fully. Given the project's scale and its potential long-term effects on the community, particularly concerning environmental health and heritage conservation, it is crucial that more time is allocated for public consultation and consideration of alternative solutions.

I urge the commission to consider the voice of the community, which seeks a more thoughtful, less carbon-intensive plan that addresses both the environmental and health concerns of those most directly impacted by the project. A pause for a full review of alternative options seems not only prudent but necessary to ensure that the best interests of the community are upheld.

I appreciate your attention to these concerns and hope that the commission will advocate for a more inclusive and transparent decision-making process regarding this significant project.

Sincerely,

Bill Howard

From: Megan Howe

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2023 6:41:34 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Howe, Megan

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: Buffalo has an opportunity to take care of it's most neglected communities and honor their experiences. We can be an example to other cities as we work to not just take care of those who already have many resources, but also those who have been left out. Restore Humboldt Parkway and reconnect the neighbors who want to live up to the name of the city of good neighbors.

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-----Original Message-----From: Edward Hughes

Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 10:44 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Hughes, Edward

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation: Home owner

Comment: We are concerned how this affects our property.

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From: Charles Humphrey

To: dot.sm.kensingtonexpressway
Subject: The tunneling of the 33- EIS

Date: Friday, November 10, 2023 12:56:45 PM

Hello,

My name is Charles Humphrey and I live in the city of Buffalo. Please conduct an Environmental Impact Statement on the Humboldt Parkway project and restore the parkway in full, to reprioritize the well-being of our local residents. The locals, as well as the greater community, need greater resilience against increasingly intense and recurring disastrous weather-events. The local people and ecological community deserve better than to be a secondary consideration behind cars and the well-being of the automobile industry. Climate resilience and supporting ecosystem services is imperative for our social, ecological, and economic future.

Restore our great Queen City

-----Original Message-----From: Milkman Michael

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 7:03 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Hutton, Jacob

Address: Phone: Email

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation: DSA

Comment: Build the park, everyone likes parks

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From: Cheryl Jackson

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 8:51 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Jackson, Cheryl

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation: Employed by Buffalo Board of Education

Comment: I am writing to say that I believe a FULL Environmental Impact study be conducted for

this project. Thank you.

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From: Iris Kahris <

Sent: Friday, November 3, 2023 1:53 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Kahris, Iris

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: Restore the parkway!!!!

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From: Allison Long

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2023 11:18:10 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Long, Allie

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: Restore as much green space as possible! This should be transformed into a place that is safe for all Buffalonians to use. Please continue to listen to the amazing community organizations that have voiced support for safe bike paths and eco diversity

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From: Andrew Love

To: <u>dot.sm.kensingtonexpressway</u>
Subject: KensingtonExpressway

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 3:44:42 PM

Dear Sirs,

Writing to request Environmental Impact Statement for NYS Route 33, Kensington Expressway Project (PIN: 5512.52) be conducted, including traffic studies of Buffalo and all the radial streets, air quality studies for the East Side of Buffalo, and an evaluation of whether commuting into and out of Buffalo has decreased post-pandemic; [2] a Cultural Landscape Report (CLR) be undertaken; and [3] full design options be prepared with community participation, including the rehabilitation of Humboldt Parkway.

Andrew Love Resident of City of Buffalo

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From: Grace Makin

To: <u>dot.sm.kensingtonexpressway</u>

Subject: NYS Route 33, Kensington Expressway Project **Date:** Friday, November 10, 2023 8:29:10 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Transportation,

I am asking for [1] an Environmental Impact Statement for NYS Route 33, Kensington Expressway Project (PIN: 5512.52) be conducted, including traffic studies of Buffalo and all the radial streets, air quality studies for the East Side of Buffalo, and an evaluation of whether commuting into and out of Buffalo has decreased post-pandemic; [2] a Cultural Landscape Report (CLR) be undertaken; and [3] full design options be prepared with community participation, including the rehabilitation of Humboldt Parkway.

Thank you, Grace Makin From: Morgan L. Mansfield

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2023 12:40:51 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Mansfield, Morgan

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES Affiliation: Architectural Resources

Comment: The destruction of Humbolt Parkway for construction of the 33 was detrimental to communities of Buffalo's East Side. That act, rooted in racism and with complete disregard of a vital and established community amenity in favor of suburban commutes, cannot be undone. A full restoration of the parkway and reparations to surrounding community members would be the best step forward. I understand the funding for this project is allocated to this plan only and will not consider the full restoration.

While the lawn, trees, and sense of community space cannot be restored to its former state, the cap is a step towards the due diligence of repairing the city's historical wrongs. Please extend the cap to Best Street to prevent harmful pollution from affecting the Magnet School and MLK park. It is necessary to study the impacts of additional ventilation and filtration to mitigate the pollution at the cap's ends. Please make a plan for addressing the underground creek for future cap extension.

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Morgan Mansfield mmansfield@archres.com Direct: 716-332-5079

 Architectural Resources

 716.883.5566
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 212.674.1457
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www.archres.com

NYS ROUTE 33, KENSINGTON EXPRESSWAY PROJECT P.I.N. 5512.52 COMMENT FORM

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U.S. Department of Tronsportation Federal Highway Administration

Department of Transportation From: Andrew Maravilla

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 3:21:23 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Maravilla, Andrew

Address: , , Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: Wanted to suggest a tunnel and better options for merging into the expressway to provide a more safer and efficient flow of traffic.

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Name: Charoice Martio Affiliation (if applicable):
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Will there he a full EIS completed before the start of the project?
Els - enviornmental impact study is important for community members to know the full impact this project will have. Specifically various heath Concerns.
What is the bot planning to do about the asbestos in the walls of the highway??
unit displace families and cause major health issues.

You may submit your comments by leaving this form in the comment box, by U.S. mail (see pre-addressed mailer on reverse side), or by e-mail to: kensingtonexpressway@dot.ny.gov Comments are due by October 27th, 2023.



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From: M Mazur

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 4:02:30 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Mazur, Michelle

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation: Homeowner

Comment: Please consider Black Rock in your plans. Our community was devastated by the expressway. I'd like to see more attention to our area from Delaware Park to the mouth of the creek at Niagara Street.

The Historical Society lake and creek area to Niagara Street and the mouth must be considered. It's been neglected for too long. The removal of the expressway from Niagara to Parkside is getting little to no attention. Especially between Niagara and Elmwood. We deserve better.

Black Rock played a large part in Buffalo's history. Our community has gotten polluted for too long. Black Rock has no playground, no library, no pool, no community space or park. We matter too.

Restore the creek width, stop the contamination, restore the spring at the mouth of the creek, make it a park and better bike path/ walkway to connect with the rest of the city instead of being forgotten again and again.

Thank you Michelle Mazur

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M. Mazur, M.A.

"I can never read all the books I want:

I can never be all the people I want and live all the lives I want.

I can never train myself in all the skills I want.

And why do I want?

I want to live and feel all the shades, tones and variations of mental and physical experience possible in my life.

And I am horribly limited."

— Sylvia Plath. (The Unabridged Journals of Sylvia Plath

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From: Mike McCormick

Sent: Friday, October 20, 2023 8:01 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: McCormick, Mike

Address: , , Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES
Affiliation: Certified Safety Products of NY

Comment: Having been part of several projects on this roadway since 2010 I can very much see the need to do a transformative project. Many of the safety upgrades were last performed in 2014 and it wont be long until they are needed again with the heavy traffic flow. Eliminating the open cut of a roadway would make room for so much usable space. Greenspace would take over a once steel and concrete area.

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From: Doug Miller < >

Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2023 12:06:45 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Miller, Doug Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES Affiliation: city resident Comment: Please do some honest surveys on this project. Creating a comment portal, where activists can "stuff the comment box" is disingenuous. 100 thousand people use the Kensington every day. Getting a few hundred comments on a project is not an honest way to get input. Suggestions are an actual voter referendum or a billboard ON the Kensington directing drivers to comment. The anti highway groups are insulting the DOT all over blogs anyway. Why give them what they want?

https://www.buffalorising.com/2023/11/comment-period-extended-for-the-draft-design-report-environmental-assessment-for-the-nys-route-33-kensington-expressway-project/?
utm_source=Website+Membership&utm_campaign=fde2786e40-BRo-Digest-Daily&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_da563b88af-fde2786e40117701901&mc_cid=fde2786e40&mc_eid=c02340351c * this email was generated by kensingtonexpressway.dot.ny.gov

----Original Message-----From: Mark Mortenson <

Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2023 4:24 PM

To: Vaidya, Sanjyot S. (DOT)

Subject: Letter of Support to cover the Kensington Expressway

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Ms. Sanjyot Vaidya Regional Design Engineer Department of Transportation, Region 5 100 Seneca Street Buffalo, New York 14203

Dear Ms. Vaidya,

My name is Mark Mortenson, I am currently the President and CEO of the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens. My involvement with the ROCC began in 2008 while I was the President and CEO at the Buffalo Museum of Science. I was honored to be one of the founding members of the team and I learned a lot about the east side community from this amazing group of people including the late Lumon Ross.

What seems to be forgotten in the current discourse about covering the 33 is the WHY. This project first began for 2 main reasons: One, to prevent the ongoing health related impacts to the community caused by the emissions/fumes created by the traffic of the 33 and Two, to reunite a community that was literally split apart by the 33.

There have been numerous studies that the ROCC can resurrect about the health related impacts to the surrounding neighborhoods caused by the increased emissions created by the 33. With the help of the University at Buffalo School of Architecture under the guidance of Robert Shibley, there were many studies and models that were explored to ensure that the health impacts were reduced.

One option showed the 33 bring brought to an at grade boulevard. This option did not reduce the emissions impact it only brought it closer to the community and increased the negative health impact. In addition to the health impacts, the traffic going through the middle of the community would create additional safety concerns for pedestrians and would not succeed in reuniting the community. The recommended option achieve the goals of this project was to "cover" the current expressway.

The Department of Transportation has brought in many experts to study the cover option to ensure that the emissions are treated to eliminate the ongoing health impacts experienced by community members along the 33.

The Department of Transportation has also assured the neighbors that there will be no property that will be taken, unlike what happened when the 33 was installed. I know that the neighbors have expressed they are concerned about noise. Yes, that is a valid concern and I also believe that the Department of Transportation will minimize that disruption as much as possible.

What happened when the 33 was installed was a sin. A sin against the Olmsted Park and Parkway system, a sin against a City and most importantly a sin against the residents on the east side. It is finally time to eliminate this sin from our community and cover the 33 so we can begin the healing. It is hard to heal a community when you have a gaping hole in the middle.

Respectfully

Mark Mortenson

Former President and CEO of the Buffalo Museum of Science

Current President and CEO of the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens

From: Stacy

Sent: Saturday, October 21, 2023 1:52:04 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Moss, Stacy

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: Areas should be filled with beautiful, walkable green space. No more dividing of our communities by an express way. It also needs to be able to be accessable by bikes as well.

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From: Stacy

To: <u>dot.sm.kensingtonexpressway</u>

Subject: 33 highway

Date: Saturday, October 21, 2023 1:49:49 PM

The area should b filled with beautiful green space, trees, access to get bk,n fourth, across the highway. No dividers that are not public walkable. The community no longer needs be divided

From: Chris Murawski

To: dot.sm.kensingtonexpressway

Subject: Kensington Project Environmental Assessment Public Comment Clean Air Coalition of WNY

Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2023 2:24:31 PM

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept the following comments on the Kensington Expressway Project Environmental Assessment.

Chris Murawski

Clean Air Coalition of Western New York

A.

The comment period should be extended. The comment period of 45 days is not sufficient for the highly technical information to be processed, discussed, and disseminated to the community and for the residents to make informed comments. We have a lot of experience in engaging the community in public comments for toxic cleanups such as Tonawanda Coke. The standard comment periods are not sufficient time for meaningful input. Particularly since there was only 30 days since the public hearing on 9/27/23 when many residents found out about the We request the comment period be extended to 90 days.

- B.

 The NYS DOT should conduct a Full Environmental Impact Statement. A project of this scale within a Disadvantaged Community under the NYS Climate and Community Protection Act needs to have an in-depth environmental review beyond the scope of the Environmental Assessment currently presented. This review should include Air Quality monitoring and analysis (see detail below) as well as modeling and assurances of air quality safety during construction. The presence of asbestos in the retaining walls is of concern and the public safety from this hazardous substance should be further evaluated and more details given to the public. Concentrations of lead in the soil of the highway corridor should be investigated prior to construction.
- C. Air Quality at Tunnel Ends: Clean Air is extremely concerned about the possibility of increased concentrated vehicular emissions at the tunnel ends. We would like to see further air monitoring conducted to better understand the current air quality conditions. NYSDEC is currently conducting mobile air monitoring in NY Disadvantaged Communities which covers that project boundaries. With a full environmental review this data could be used to access current conditions as well for PM 2.5, Black Carbon, NO2, NO, CO, VOC's and Ozone.

We acknowledge that the modeling conducted as part of the air quality study shows that the estimated levels of PM 2.5 for Annual and 24 hour average are predicted to be within the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Eric County as a whole is in attainment of these standards. However when examining data on health disparities and pollution through USEPAs EJ Screen we find that residents within the project corridor are in the 90th percentile and above for Low Life Expectancy, Asthma, and Heart Disease nationally. Clearly attainment of the 2.5 PM NAAQS standard does not take into account the cumulative effect of many overlapping pollutants on residents' health. Many public health scientists such as the American Lung Association¹. According to a study by the Harvard School of Public Health², Black and low income Americans would benefit the most from stronger policies on air pollution. This is an overburdened community when it comes to pollution and absolute care must be taken that this project does not increase these burdens. We must go above and beyond the minimum standard in this case based on systemic issues which have caused

- Lung Association Responds to Proposed Updates to National Particle Pollution Standards: EPA's Proposal Falls Far Short and Must Be Strengthened https://www.lung.org/media/press-releases/2023-pm-naaqs-proposal-statement
- 2. Black Americans, low-income Americans may benefit most from stronger policies on air pollution https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/news/press-releases/black-americans-low-income-americans-may-benefit-most-from-stronger-policies-on-air-pollution/

Chris Murawski he/him
Executive Director
Clean Air Coalition of Western New York
Phone 716-852-3813 Extension 102
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We have moved! We are now located at 371 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14202

Book a 1-1 Meeting With Me Here

From: Nancy J. Parisi

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 5:58:51 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Parisi, Nancy J.

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES Affiliation: Lifelong Buffalo Resident

Comment: NYS DOT, please do a full environmental impact report and assessment. What I've

read about the walls of the 33 containing asbestos is concerning.

This is a handheld message.
Nancy J. Parisi
Social Documentation Photography
A proud NYS-Certified Woman-Owned Business (WBE)

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From: Todd Ruth

Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2023 2:47 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Ruth, Todd

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation:

Comment: Appreciate the transparency in communications.

Is there an expanded footprint to consider where more of the Kensington Expwy could tunneled restoring additional lost parkway space? Instead of Butler Ave could this be expanded to Northland Ave.?

Also, regarding suggestion about filling-in the Kensington up to State Route 198. Is there merit in restoring existing street infrastructure originally designed to handle large amounts of traffic and is presently underutilized? Example of 3 roadways: Genesee St., Sycamore St. on to Walden Ave and also Broadway. Those streets also connect to I-90 and could potentially disperse the influx of traffic entering and leaving the City of Buffalo. It would also provide a bold opportunity to improve/enhance these thoroughfares and spur development.

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----Original Message-----From: deb scofield <

Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2023 1:15 PM

To: Fischlein, Eric

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Scofield, Deborah

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: NO

Affiliation:

Comment: Please keep the funding in Buffalo. Much needed roadwork repairs and projects!

~Debbie

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From: Jerome Shadwick

Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2023 9:54 AM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Shadwick, Jerome

Address: Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

Affiliation:

Comment: By the time this is finished the neighbors will have changed. Gentrification will have

happened. It's happening everyday.

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Name: J. Simonian	_Affiliation (if applicable):_ <i>Buffalo</i> _	PD
Address: 693 E. Ferry st.		_Date_ <u>9-27-</u> 23
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Name: Brad Watts Affiliation (if applicable): MLK Dram Zone West
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Phone Number: =-mail:_
COMMENTS* We want more gressroots charts and all media outlets (inco social medic) to let residents know that there is a fund for property damage due to blasting and construction. Also continued look at environmental impact and community reports





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From: Ethan Z

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 8:19 PM

To:

Subject: [Ext] PIN 5512.52 Kensington Expressway Project Comment Form

Name: Zydel, Ethan

Phone: Email:

Include on future project updates: YES

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Comment: Good Evening,

I am glad there is some activity and discussion of how to fix a horrible scar on the East Side. I am wondering why this project cannot be extended further with the current tunnel to connect more of the East Side community. I feel that if only part of the expressway is covered and remade into a parkway it doesn't do enough to be able to say it is "reconnecting" communities. I feel as if this project should be extended so the entirety of Humboldt Parkway can be fully connected as it was before the Kensington Expressway horrificly tore though the park. It would be a lot more beneficial to spend money on fully recreating the park and not only doing part of it. I'd also like to ask a question about air quality with the new proposed tunnel. Will any home be destroyed and how exactly will the exhaust from the cars exit the tunnel. Will it be in the park? If so I feel that would ruin the effect of a park where you go to get fresh not toxic air. Thank you for reading my comments.

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